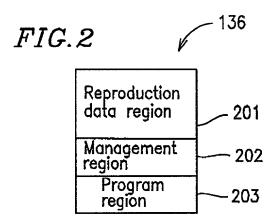


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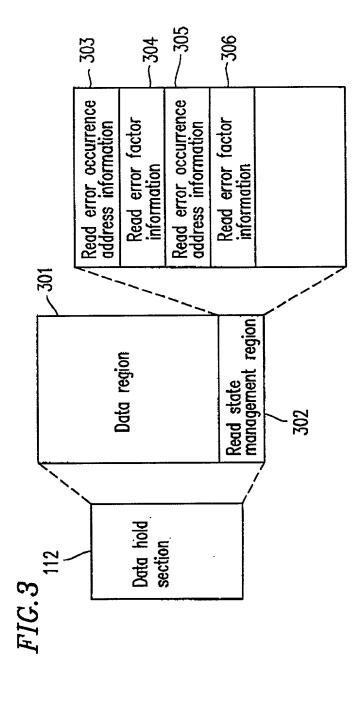


FIG.4 Start of reading process Reception of read request 401 Reading from information recording medium 402 403 No read error occurred Read error occurred Hold read error - 405 occurrence address 406 Read address reading operation has been Uncompleted 407 completed Restart reading from subsequent address region Completed 408 Read error Yes occurred? No 410 409 Report normal completion Report occurrence of error End of reading process

FIG. 5A

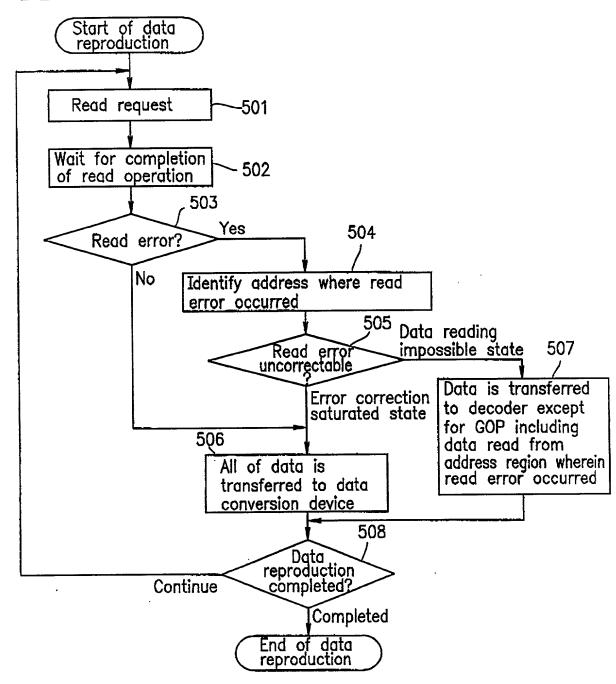


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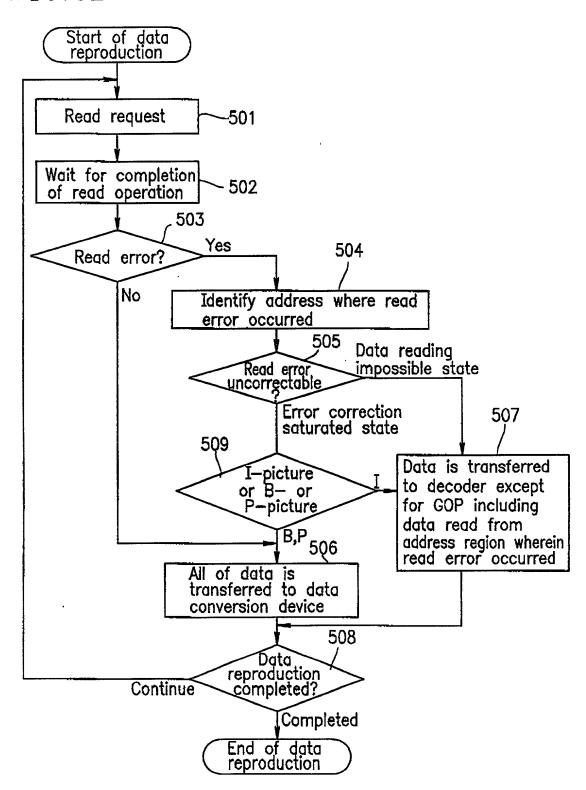


FIG.5C

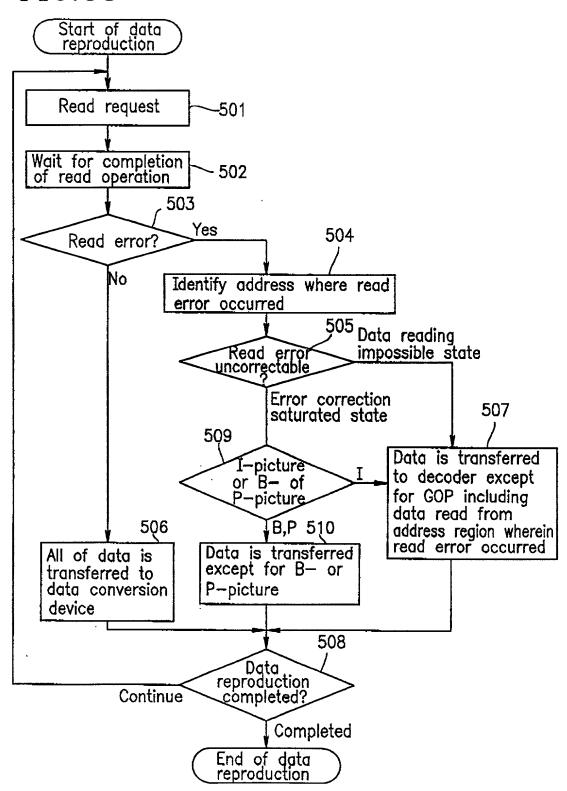
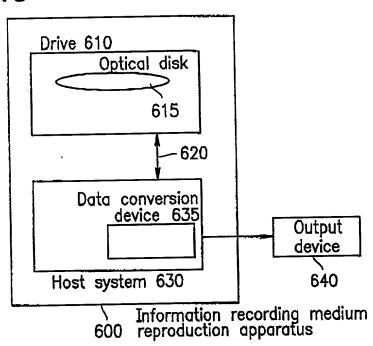
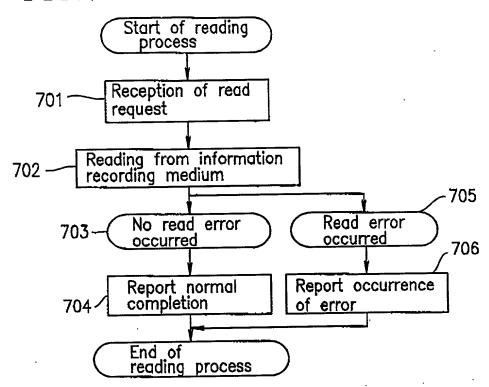


FIG.6







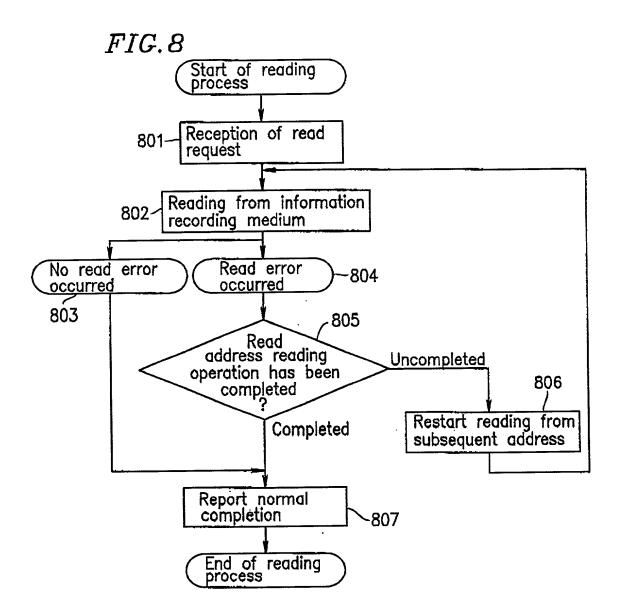


FIG.9

